

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Lena Walker of Princeton, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday on May 13, 2004; and

Whereas, on May 13, 1904, in Mercer County, God brought a special gift to this great state with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Lena, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Lena Walker will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her marriage to Robert Franklin Walker and the birth of their only child; and

Whereas, God has blessed Lena Walker with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include one son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Freda Walker, one granddaughter, two great-grandsons, and four great-great-granddaughters; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Lena Walker has further distinguished herself by teaching K-8 grades at East Pine for two years, toiling as a farmer, and being a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Clare Rebecca Lodge 155, and the Mercer County Historical Society; and

Whereas, Lena Walker derives a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through her affiliation with the First Baptist Church in Princeton, where she is a former Sunday school teacher; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 100, Lena Walker is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Lena Walker at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Lena Walker, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Jim Whorton
District No. 3

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3010, adopted May 12, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker